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SUBJECT: THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS OF ZANZIBAR'S  
REVOLUTION

1. ZANZIBAR CELEBRATED ON JANUARY 12 THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF  
1964 REVOLUTION. ATMOSPHERE WAS OCCASIONALLY LESS THAN JUBILANT  
AS AFRO-SHIRAZI PARTY LEADERS IMPRESSED ON PUBLIC THAT PARTY'S  
DAYS AT AN END DUE TO FEBRUARY 5 MERGER WITH TANU.

2. PRINCIPAL GUESTS WERE TANZANIAN PRESIDENT JULIUS NYERERE  
AND SECOND VICE PRESIDENT RASHIDI KAWAWA. UNDER PRESENT PARTY  
SYSTEM FIRST VICE PRESIDENT ABOUD JUMBE, AS PRESIDENT OF  
AFRO-SHIRAZI PARTY, OUTRANKS NYERERE IN ZANZIBAR. AT MAIN EVENT  
JANUARY 12, THEREFORE, IT WAS NYERERE WHO WAITED IN STANDS FOR  
JUMBE WHILE LATTER INSPECTED GUARD OF HONOR. ZANZIBAR'S ANTHEM  
PLAYED VICE ANTHEM OF UNITED REPUBLIC. PERHAPS THESE PROTOCOL  
PECULIARITIES WILL DISAPPEAR AFTER PARTIES MERGE.

3. JUMBE GAVE MAJOR ADDRESS JANUARY 12. HE DESCRIBED FIRST  
PHASE OF REVOLUTION, THE PERIOD LEADING UP TO AND INCLUDING  
ARMED OVERTHROW OF SULTAN'S REGIME, AND DECLARED END OF SECOND  
PHASE, IN WHICH REVOLUTION HAD BEEN CONSOLIDATED BY ASP.

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THIRD PHASE WOULD BE DEDICATED TO FURTHER CONSOLIDATION WITH  
EMPHASIS ON GREATER DISCIPLINE. JUMBE OUTLINED CHANGES IN  
GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION WHICH WOULD TRANSFER ADMINISTRATIVE  
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MINISTRIES TO THE MINISTRIES THEMSELVES,  
FREEING THE COUNCIL TO CONCENTRATE ON ITS OWN AFFAIRS. COMMENT.  
WE DO NOT EXPECT A MAJOR GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AS A RESULT.  
IT APPEARS REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL'S RESPONSIBILITIES ARE BEING

RESTRUCTURED TO FREE IT TO DEAL WITH MAJOR GOVERNMENT CONCERNS OF THE ASP. THIS WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH OTHER EFFORTS TO REVIVE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL AS SUPREME POLITICAL BODY AT EXPENSE OF IMPORTANCE OF NEW, UNIFIED PARTY. END COMMENT.

4. JUMBE DEPARTED FROM MAIN THEME OF REVOLUTION AND SOCIALIST DEVELOPMENT TO DEFEND VIGOROUSLY ZANZIBAR'S LEGAL SYSTEM AS NECESSARY ELEMENT IN STRUGGLE TO LIBERATE AFRICA. COMMENT. THIS COULD HAVE BEEN REBUTTAL TO WIDELY-PUBLICIZED SUBMISSION OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL (76 ZANZIBAR 194) WHICH INCLUDED CRITICISM OF ZANZIBAR'S SYSTEM OF JUSTICE. WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THOSE STILL UNDER SENTENCE OF DEATH IN TREASON CASE REMAINS TO BE SEEN. END COMMENT.

5. IN SPEECH AT OUTLYING TOWN ON JANUARY 11 ASP SECRETARY-GENERAL SHEIKH THABIT KOMBO MIXED HUMOR AND PATHOS. HE SAID ONE'S DESTINY COULD NOT ALWAYS BE CONTROLLED, THAT AFRO-SHIRAZI PARTY FINISHED AND HE ALONG WITH IT. COMMENT. KOMBO'S DISCLOSURE OF HIS EXIT FROM PARTY POLITICS IS CONSISTENT WITH EARLIER CONJECTURE (76 ZANZIBAR A-40). END COMMENT.

6. LESOTHO, WITH MIN WORKS MAPATHE AND UN PERMREP MOLAPSO, WAS ONLY COUNTRY SPECIALLY REPRESENTED AT REVOLUTION CELEBRATIONS. PRIME MINISTER LEABUA JONATHAN WAS SCHEDULED TO VISIT ZANZIBAR BUT DECLINED ON GROUNDS OF TROUBLES WITH SOUTH AFRICA OVER TRANSKEI.  
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